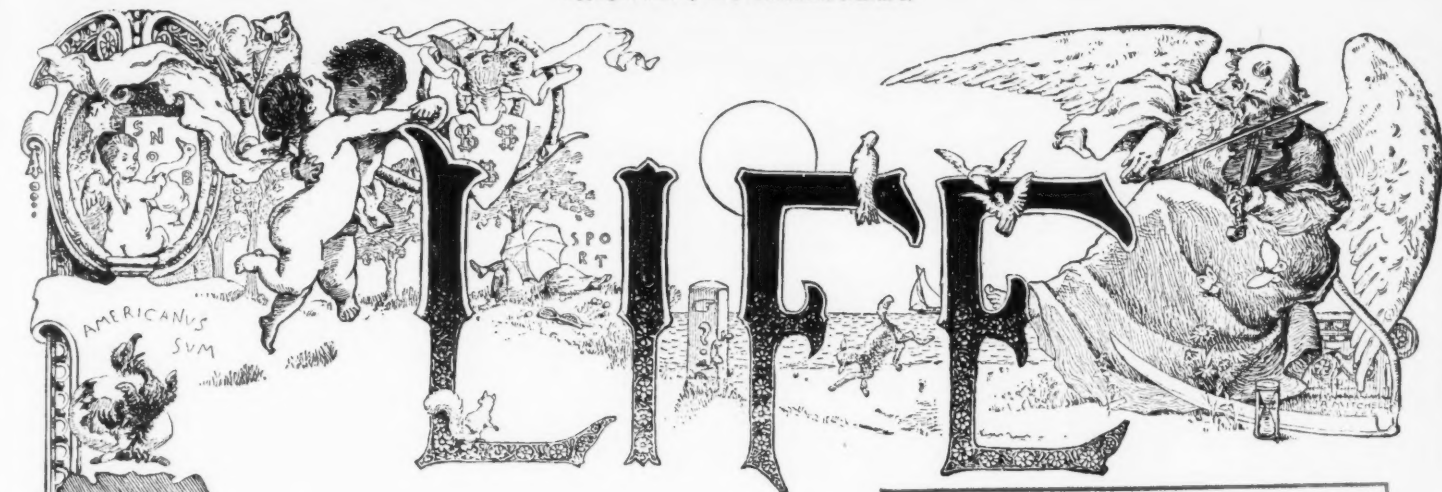


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# LIFE



WHY ARE THESE SHIPWRECKED BRUTES SO MERRY?  
BECAUSE THEY HEAR, BY WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY, THAT THEIR WIVES HAVE MARRIED AGAIN.

## Society.

**M**RS. BRAYZAN PUSHER took a drive last Monday. She wore clothes, and she may do it again. She is a sister-in-law of Mr. Burstyngside Boodle.

Mr. Endliss Dollas sits in a chair when he eats his breakfast. The chair is mahogany lined with gold. His grandmother was a woman.

The Baddicks Amplees have promised to spend a Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Bullion at Waterstock-on-the-

Sound. Mrs. Ample was a Wursen Yuceliss. The Yucelisses have always been fashionable.

Fullern A. Goat has been ill. He was stricken on his own yacht, and remained stricken for several days. He likes it.

Some of the Goats have money.

## Literary.

*Private Letters of Bingley Bangs.* (Two volumes. 8vo. New York. The Gammon-Guff Company. \$5.00.)

If, as the publishers claim, these letters are the foolishlest ever written by a

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THE President doubtless felt that he had good reasons, statutory or otherwise, for letting General Miles go into retirement without official compliments. Perhaps it was a matter of delicacy.

General Miles had been at loggerheads most of the time with this Administration and the one preceding it, and it was a question last year whether

he would be allowed to serve his time. He was permitted to do so, but when his time did expire there was no official expression of regret. No regret was felt by the Administration, and every one knew it. General Miles has been a good soldier and has a very distinguished military record. Attention might have been called to it in the order retiring him, but it is at least debatable whether, under all the circumstances, the course followed was not in better taste. It is probably the course that best suited General Miles, for it brought him the sympathy of a large part of the community. It is probably the course that President Roosevelt would have preferred to have followed in his own case if he and Miles could have changed places, so that his conduct squares with the Golden Rule. Nobody has been hurt; General Miles's record is unimpaired. Why, then, such strenuous lamentations!

Because next year is a Presidential year? Perhaps not, though that is an important fact, and distorts more or less the vision of all partisans, and colors almost all political comment.



THE question of regulating the speed of automobiles engages the otherwise unoccupied part of the public mind and is very much discussed. The majority of automobiles are driven with discretion and are no more of a nuisance than their owners can help, but an appreciable percentage of the devil-wagons are in hoodlum hands, and the sight of one of them tearing along the road, perhaps through a village, leaving a cloud of dust and stench behind, greatly stimulates the mind in devising preventive remedies.

It is found to be much easier to pass laws regulating speed than to enforce them against the exceptional drivers who have neither manners nor conscience. What is needed is a measure that will work automatically on the road. Somebody has proposed to prohibit the construction, or possession, of machines that can run more than twenty-five miles an hour, but though the makers of machines are more easily controlled by statute than the users of them, it is doubtful whether such a prohibition would work a cure. It would restrict invention, which is not to be desired, and would not stop accidents, even if it could be enforced.



A SIMPLER expedient is suggested by a newspaper report of a recent occurrence. It seems, at least the newspapers say, that on August 9th, a Mr. Thomas, of New York, and two friends, being out in a red auto near Cooperstown, sighted Frank Webley leading his bull down the road from pasture. The bull sighted the auto and showed signs of resentment, bellying his defiance. The chauffeur smiled, tooted his horn, and, willing

to facilitate sport, turned on full power and charged up hill at the bull. Farmer Webley gripped the halter and tried to keep the bull out of the road. But it was no go. The bull and the auto had a head-on collision on top of the hill, and the auto went into the ditch and stayed there.

Surely this is an instructive story. What practicable device would be better adapted to restrain the speed of automobiles in the country than the very simple one of anchoring out cattle along the road? Cattle used to graze habitually by the roadside. They were turned out of it in most villages and townships by local ordinance because they were a nuisance. But wherever the autos are a worse nuisance than cattle, it is easy to get the cattle back. Cows do not step lively, and no one can tell which way a cow will turn. No prudent scorcher will come at a cow on the run. If he does, he may spoil the cow as a cow, but it will still be worth something as beef, and the chances are that the scorcher will be delayed plenty long enough for the owner of the cow to collect his damages.

It is inexpedient to put torpedoes on the country roads and village streets, because worthy people might be hurt, but cows would be dangerous only to scorchers. Any rural or suburban district which is suffering from automobilism is invited to give this remedy a trial.



THAT Phil May should have died at thirty-nine is in the nature of an international calamity. When a man of talent has learned how to use his talent, and is edifying a great company of his contemporaries by its exercise, it comes very hard to have him prematurely cut down. The world needed many more of Phil May's drawings. They cheered the spirit because of the fun that was in them, but how admirable they were as drawings only qualified experts could fully appreciate. Such persons understand that art, as well as humor, suffered a memorable loss when May's eyes closed to the scenes and types that his pen had made immortal.



**Progress.**

PETER, Peter, pumpkin eater,  
Had a wife and couldn't keep her.  
He dragged her from the social hell,  
And then he kept her very well. T. M.

**Archæology.**

THE manuscript was clearly American and about a thousand years old, which would make it out to be of the twentieth century, A. D.

Scholars had no great difficulty in construing the contents, except for the words:

"The hand that rocks the cradle rules the world."

"What was a cradle?" was the question that the entire learned world was presently asking itself.

Finally, an ingenious archæologist suggested:

"Perhaps there is a typographical error. Does it not mean, 'The hand that's Rockefeller's rules the world'?"

And this explanation, because of its consonance with independent legends, was generally accepted.

**More Resilient.**

"OUR air mattresses," said the dealer, "are all filled in the months of April, May and June. That accounts for their remarkably resilient qualities."

"Is the air of those months better than others?"

"They are the spring months, you know."



NEVER SATISFIED.

She: DO YOU LOVE ME AS MUCH WHEN YOU ARE AWAY FROM ME?

He (fervently): I LOVE YOU MORE, DARLING.

She (sighing): I WISH I COULD BE WITH YOU THEN.

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## Extremes Meet.

BOSTON holds the mother church of Christian Science.

Materialism has no mother church. But it is in Boston that vaccination is compulsory.



ONE of the disadvantages of having written an unusually good book is the difficulty of keeping up the pace. Nancy Huston Banks's romance of early Kentucky, *Round Anvil Rock*, is a very readable romance, but its inferiority to *Oldfield* is more striking than its own merits. *Oldfield* was a book in a thousand. *Round Anvil Rock* is merely one of a thousand. (The Macmillan Company. \$1.50.)

*Thompson's Progress*, being a series of incidents from the career of Tom Tom's son, collier's brat in the West Riding of Yorkshire, afterwards T. Thompson of Buton Hall, and now Baron Buton, is C. J. Cutcliffe Hyne's new book. The creator of Captain Kettle



IT COULDN'T BE BROKEN IN, BUT IT CAN BE BROKEN OUT.



AT LIFE'S FARM.

MONUMENT OF BARRELS IN WHICH MESSRS. CHATLAND AND LENHART SENT CRACKERS TO THE CHILDREN.

adds to his laurels by the force and virility of his new creation. (The Macmillan Company. \$1.50.)

*The Fighting Chance*, Gertrude Lynch's "romance of an ingénue," is a fictional bubble which floats for a while with light and airy iridescence and then bursts with a little spatter of suds. Ada Rehan could have created the ingénue rôle to perfection. The book is the thing for a very hot and very lazy afternoon. (The Smart Set Publishing Company.)

A decidedly entertaining book is to be found in *The Sacrifice of the Shannon*, by W. Albert Hickman, a story of the Canadian ice crushers and of the big-hearted and warm-blooded heroes who man them. The subject is new, and the author's method, which suggests the graphic directness and warm enthusiasm of a good talker rather than the technique of the novelist, is unusual and extremely effective. (Frederick A. Stokes Company.)

*A Duke and His Double*, by Edward S. Van Zile, is a conventional and stagey society comedy, which, in print, sadly lacks the sanction afforded by the lights, the setting and the business of the theatre. It is a remarkably unoriginal story to come from the original pen of Mr. Van Zile. (Henry Holt and Company. 75c.)

The vivid quality of the facts and reminiscences which Frank C. Bostock has to relate and the simple directness, due to the editorship of Ellen Velvin, make *The Training of Wild Animals* an intensely thrilling little volume. It is safe to say that the reader will never again look upon a lion or a tiger as a zoological abstraction. (The Century Company. \$1.00.)

A little book, in which the author has come very near to interpreting some elemental human truths, is the story of a love affair between a bright woman and a scientist, by Anna Robeson Brown, called *Truth and a Woman*. It is pyrotechnic in its conclusion and far from great, but it is worth reading. (Herbert S. Stone and Company, Chicago.)

J. B. Kerfoot.

## Ideals.

"NO," said the authoress, with a sweet, haunting smile, "my ideals are too high to permit me to marry, unless it were, perchance, to advertise my books!"



### The Envious Ancients.

THERE was a time when I was bent  
On nobly duplicating  
The deeds of heroes eminent  
Who have a classic rating.

But what's the use of being fired  
With good and great ambitions?  
For glory such as I desired  
We lack the right conditions.

Columbus now might sail the sea  
Only to die unnoted;  
No continents remain to be  
Discovered and promoted.

No tyrant of the ancient style  
Could be a modern hero;  
The walking delegate would smile  
At amateurs like Nero.

Saint George, to-day, would wholly lack  
A chance to do his duty;  
No burglar-dragon, now, would crack  
A woman's club for booty.

Henry the Eighth once led the van  
In marrying full quota;  
But he would be an also-ran  
Divorcé in Dakota.

No jaunt like that Ulysses took  
Would set our poets spouting;  
The trippers toured by Thomas Cook  
Would laugh at such an outing.

Mohammed's lucky to have made  
His fame secure already;  
For nowadays he'd lose his trade  
To Mary Baker Eddy.

Like Alexander, I could stand  
And snivel—just as he did;  
No other worlds are handy, and  
No conquerors are needed.

Frank Roe Batchelder.

### Applying the Axiom.

"MISTAKES will happen in the best regulated families," quotes the apologetic one.

"Mebbe," concedes the vinegary one;  
"but it isn't any sign that a family is well regulated, just because it runs so strong to the making of mistakes."

### Good Work.

THIS came to an approving public through the *New York Herald*:

MIDDLETOWN, N. Y., Sunday.—With a country road on a hilltop for a ring, an automobile and a big bull engaged in battle near West Kortright yesterday, and the brute walked off with the honors and a section of steering gear instead of a laurel wreath.

Two friends were riding in the automobile and were sighted by the bull, which was being led from a summit pasture by Frank Webley, a farmer, and its owner. The machine is painted red, and, when the bull espied the vehicle, he lifted his head and bellowed with rage. The automobilists laughed and replied with a toot.

Out of a cloud of dust there first emerged a kaleidoscopic sound—the beating of hoofs, a whirr, shouts, bellowing and a crash. The automobile came last, and it was going on a tangent.

Struck head foremost by the bull, it was tossed into a ditch, and the automobilists were pitched in a heap into a sandbank. They were bruised and terrified, but managed to scramble out of danger.

Why not have other well-intentioned bulls of this variety stationed at easy distances along our country roads? Taxpayers would gladly contribute. There would be a great saving of human life, in the long run, and legitimate amusement for the bulls. The best fun, of course, would be for owners of horses, who still think the public highway is no place for steam engines.

### From a Society Man's Diary.

INARROWLY escaped a great humiliation, dining with the Smiths, last night. Only the superb tact of Mrs. Smith saved me.

I had drunk my wine.

"Fill Mr. Jones's glass," said Smith to his butler.

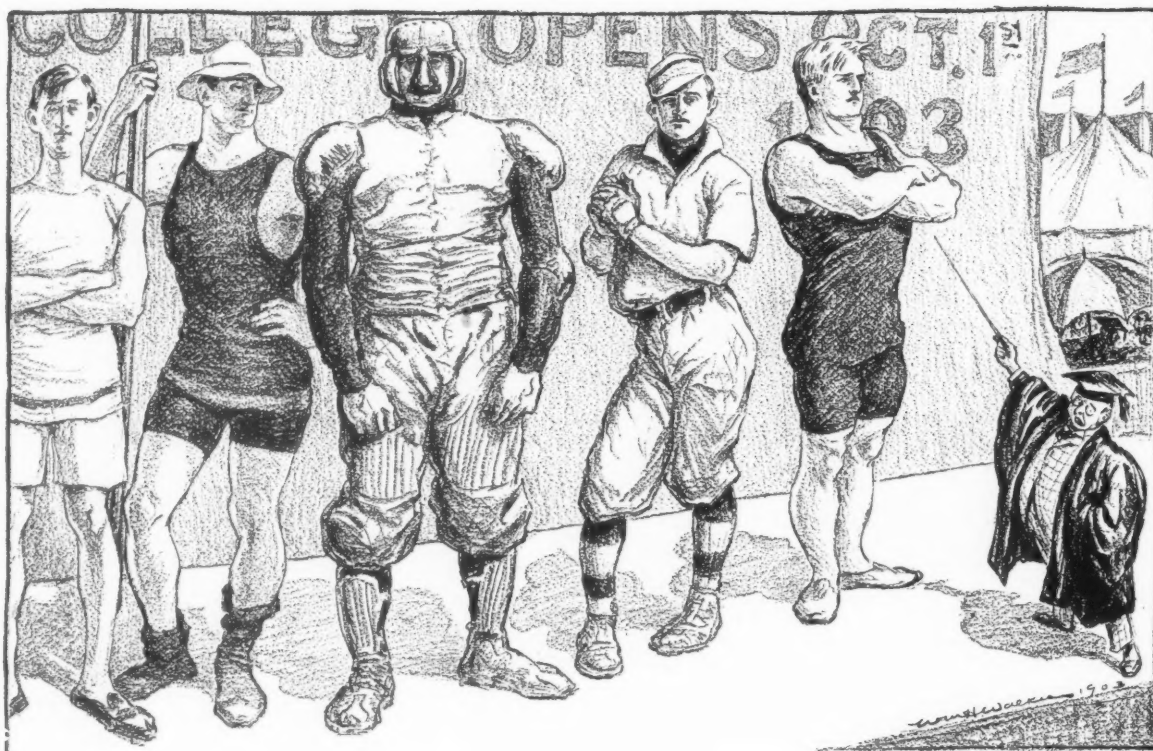
As the man approached me, decanter in hand, I broke into a cold perspiration. For in that moment I recalled that I had brought no money with me.

Doubtless I looked the horror I felt. Anyway, Mrs. Smith divined my predicament, and quietly lent me a dollar, with which I fed the butler.

WHEN a lover has exhibited all his points, he should take a short holiday.







ADVERTISING THE COLLEGE.

**Laughter.**

"MAN is the only animal that laughs"—  
 Strange are the whims great Nature follows after,  
 Since Life, alas! proves that man really is  
 The animal that has least cause for laughter!

Madeline Bridges.

**Little Pipe Dreams.**

MRS. HETTY GREEN has instructed the Chemical Bank to set aside two million dollars for charity. Mrs. Green has for years been active in charitable work, having for some time been associated with Russell Sage in a systematic distribution of wealth among the less fortunate classes.

Col. Henry Watterson, a well-known society reporter of Louisville, has imported a pet monkey and two parrots, with which he will amuse his circle at Newport during the season. Watty, as his intimate friends know him, is a provokingly amusing little fellow and very popular with the Astors.

A cable from Germany announces that Emperor William has condemned two editors for declaring that he is a great man. The Kaiser is noted as a shining example of modesty, and he has lately

established a court custom of kissing the hand and washing the feet of all his visitors.

Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States, has written a book entitled "The Strenuous Life," in which he sets forth the evil of rough riding and reckless hunting,



NO CAUSE FOR ALARM.

Dr. Spider: I ASSURE YOU, MY DEAR MRS. CENTIPEDE, YOU HAVE *only one* foot IN THE GRAVE—YOU NEED NOT BE IN THE LEAST WORRIED.



THE SEVEN YEARS' WAR CONTINUED.

*Maria Theresa:* WHAT EXCUSE HAVE YOU TO OFFER FOR CUTTING SILESIA FROM THE IMPERIAL BORDERS?

*Frederick:* WHO EVER HEARD OF AN IMPERIAL COAT BORDERED WITH SILESIA?

proving by careful analysis that the first jolts the liver and the latter is a dissipation.

Chauncey Depew, the famous society minstrel, has told three million and twenty-five stories in the last ten years without a single repetition.

His capacity for evolving a new tale on an instant's notice is said to be wonderful.

William Jennings Bryan, better known as the Barn-Bred Boy of Nebraska, has just refused the tender of a Presidential nomination. He declares

that he cannot mix in politics without losing his sterile citizenship, and adds that he is making money with *The Commoner*, anyhow. *Henry Edward Warner.*

Washington Society.

WASHINGTON is the social capital of the nation. Nowhere, indeed, is society more capitalistic than in Washington. While yet the money holds out to burn, the vilest sinner is as good as anybody.

Members of Washington society have often the indescribable something which makes for real gentility (*urbanitas Americana*); indescribable, that is, in the sense that whoever should describe it would be excluded from the mails.

A social feature of Washington is the diplomatic. The diplomatic is the shambles where the scions of foreign nobility are sold off.

Washington society draws the line at polygamy, it being thought that a plurality of wives would tend to get the wraps mixed at large affairs.

Washington society contains several people who can talk, and many who can eat or dance, as the fancy takes them.

Societies.

"MY mamma belongs to eighteen societies."

"Well, my mamma belongs to nineteen."

"Yes, but three of the societies your mamma belongs to are for the s'pression of the same thing."



A THIEF'S CONSCIENCE.

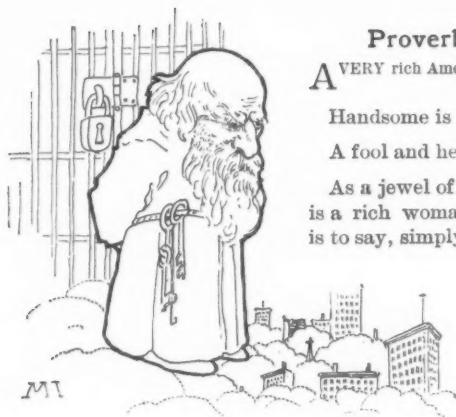


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EVEN MORE RESPONSIVE.



"GREAT HEAVENS! MORE SKYSCRAPERS! I SHALL HAVE TO MOVE UP HIGHER!"

### A Form.

**T**O all wealthy gentlemen who wish to write love letters to ladies without involving themselves in difficulties afterwards, the following form is suggested: MY OWN (ALLEGED) PASSIONATE, LITTLE HONEY DARNING:

I love you with all my (alleged) heart, soul and mind (but not fortune). I could print upon your beautiful face, cheek, neck and arms thousands and thousands of (alleged) kisses and never tire. Are you my lovey dovey? And am I your (alleged) tootsey wootsey? Tell me that you will be my (alleged) wife. When I think of you, I feel that I cannot make too much of an ass of myself. Nevertheless, should any claim be brought against me, I call your attention to the fact that this is only an (alleged) love letter. Until I see you I shall suffer the agonies of an (alleged) hell.

Your own (out of court)

*Illy.*

"I HEAR that Sharpley is now in the Trillion-Dollar Trust."

"Did he sell out, or was he roped in?"



ON THE ELEVATED.

*Mr. Rabbit:* WON'T YOU TAKE MY SEAT, LADY?

"OH, THANK YOU, SIR. YOU MUST BE A STRANGER IN TOWN."

### Proverbs of Prosperity.

A VERY rich American woman is usually a beauty.  
— Cesare Lombroso.

Handsome is that handsome has.

A fool and her beauty are soon parted.

As a jewel of gold in a swine's snout, so is a rich woman without discretion; that is to say, simply stunning.

### Bad Days for Boston.

COMPULSORY vaccination is going merrily on in the Hub. The citizen who objects to having his family inoculated with other people's diseases is severely dealt with.

And Faneuil Hall the cradle of Liberty! Oh!

THE gods we make are weaker than ourselves.



*Mrs. Teller:* SOME TREMENDOUS BILL, GEORGE. DEAR?

*Teller:* YES, ER—THAT IS, A BID TO THE DOUBLE WEDDING OF THE CASHIER'S TWIN DAUGHTERS.

### Inscription for a Locked Church Door.

HERE, on Sundays, in vain for a seat you will seek,  
Though the rich man may sit there and pay without praying;  
And I'm bolted and barred all the rest of the week,  
Lest the poor man should kneel there and pray without paying.

*Bertrand Shadwell.*

### Coc'.

CONSIDER the cucumber, how it keeps cool.

It swills not root beer, neither does it inundate its interior with ice-cream soda.

In the day of humidity, a philosophic calm is more to be desired than a cold air plant in the cellar.

THE WOMAN'S PAPER

For August

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A feast of good things for the woman of to-day.

"ARE WOMEN BECOMING EFFEMINATE?"

A timely article by Mrs. J. Plugg, wherein this thoughtful writer draws attention to lapses that seem to indicate that woman is in danger of retrograding towards the type of old-time.

"THE CONTINUED PREVALENCE OF MARRIAGE"

By Miss Peggy Whiffletree, Miss Whiffletree, while avoiding the note of an alarmist, shows by statistics that a surprisingly large number of representative women have drifted into matrimony in the past two years. She points out that there are to-day almost as many married women as there are club-women.

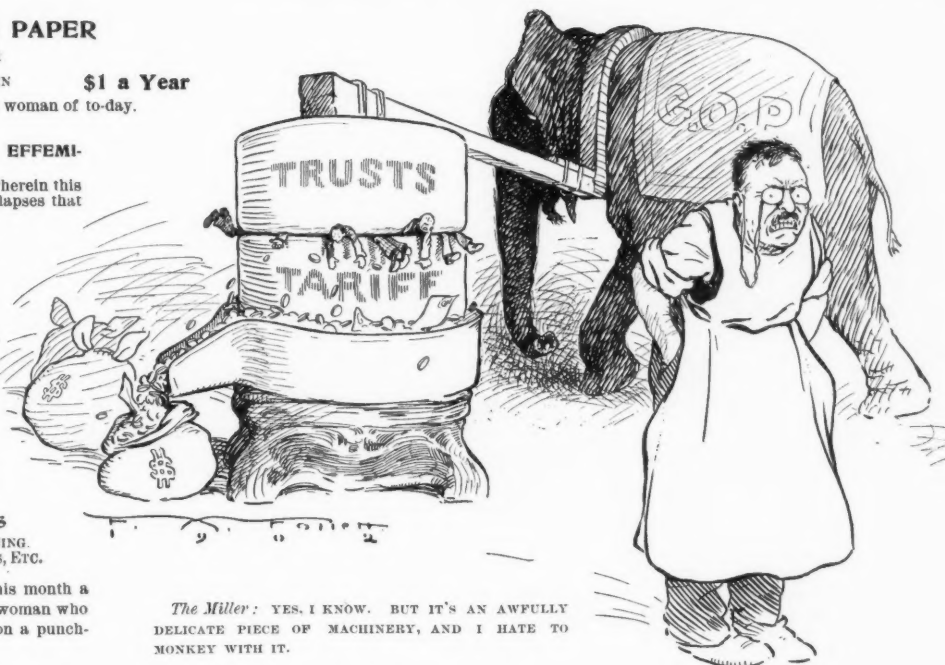
"CHILDREN OR DOGS?"

A humorous sketch, delightfully satirical, showing Miss Devoid at her best.

THE USUAL DEPARTMENTS

BOXING, SPORT, RACING, FENCING,  
GOLF, POKER, NEW DRINKS, DOGS, ETC.

**MONTHLY PRIZE:** We offer this month a prize of a silver cigarette case to the woman who registers the most powerful blow on a punching machine.



*The Miller:* YES, I KNOW. BUT IT'S AN AWFULLY DELICATE PIECE OF MACHINERY, AND I HATE TO MONKEY WITH IT.

The Muse and Pegasus.

WHEN in her jaunty habit goes  
Myrtilla for a canter,  
My thoughts forsake the ways of prose  
And run to rhyme instantan.

Beholding her, how could there be  
A surer inspiration?  
And are not Pegasus and she  
The proper combination?

Her pony in my fancy seems  
A winged beast, whose pinions  
In safety bear my Dream of dreams  
Across Love's wide dominions.

The slender quill wherewith I write,  
Transformed, becomes a feather  
From Pegasus, and so, delight  
And dream are mine together.

Line upon line, the rhythmic pace  
Is what Myrtilla makes it;  
The song is hers whose perfect grace  
To melody awakes it.

Hers be it evermore to choose  
A lyric or an idyl;  
And mine be it to love my muse,  
And Pegasus, her bridle!

*Felix Carmen.*



**FIRST STATESMAN:** I'm afraid there's no chance of starting a war with that newly discovered country.

**SECOND STATESMAN:** On the contrary, a band of missionaries has just started for it.

Oxford.

A NUMBER of things conspire to make Oxford famous.

*Imprimis*, there is the Oxford movement. Contrary to the popular belief, the Oxford movement has little or nothing in common with the Swedish movement, being always in the eastward position (latitudinarians drop off a point or two nor'-nor'-east) and without Indian clubs, according to the rubrics.

Moreover, there are Oxford ties. Many deem it singular that Oxford should stand at once for the highest in liturgy and about the lowest in footwear. But this is largely a matter of the point of view.

Oxford has no annex called Cowford.

The Oxford doctorate is a great distinction. The doctors are thought to know why an Oxford man is called an Oxonian.

There is still no royal road to learning, although the good Rhodes project is having its effect.

As His Power Grows.

**ORDINARY PERSON:** A fine evening, sir.

**GREAT FINANCIER (modestly):** Thank you



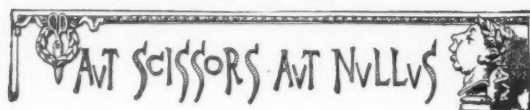


WHEN THE GASOLINE AUTO PASSES BY.



*Curate:* WELL, JOHNNY, AND WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THE STORY OF THE GARDEN OF EDEN?  
*The Judge's Son:* I THINK ADAM SHOULD HAVE APPLIED FOR A RESTRAINER AT BEING OUSTED FROM THE GARDEN, ON THE GROUND THAT HE WAS *ex parte*, THAT HE ATE THE APPLE UNDER UNDUE INFLUENCE, AND THAT THE SERPENT WAS AN ACCESSORY BEFORE THE FACT IN THE ALLEGED OFFENSE.

# • LIFE •



## THE WALL STREET LODORE.

(With Apologies to the Authors of Some Recent Slumps.)

How did the water  
Come out of the stocks?  
How did the brokers  
Get all of their shocks?  
With "Ows!" and  
A thousand  
Remarks of the kind,  
The snoozers  
And losers  
Were left far behind.

Commencing with fencing, dispensing  
With morals,  
The boomers, with rumors of humors  
And quarrels,  
Attacking and backing and cracking the lacking;  
And listing and twisting, resisting, assisting,  
Combining, entwining, outlining, designing,  
And piling, beguiling, outwiling and smiling,  
And doubting and shouting and routing and flouting,  
Came down with a flurry  
And scurry and hurry,  
To worry and curry  
Each horse that was short,  
And all of that sort.

Then, buying and crying,  
And yelling and selling  
And pleasing and squeezing  
And easing and teasing  
And crashing and smashing  
And gnashing and slashing  
And cashing and hashing  
And hooting and rooting and tooting and scooting  
And booting and looting, disputing, computing,  
And putting and calling  
And standing and falling,  
And meeting and greeting, unseating and bleating,  
Repeating and cheating and treating and beating,  
And rambling,  
And gambling,  
And goring and roaring and scoring,  
And hugging and lugging and chugging,  
Stampeding and bleeding and leading.

Compressing, and guessing and blessing (?),  
Wheeling and squealing and reeling and peeling  
and stealing,  
Fighting and biting and smiting and blighting and  
kiting,  
And bidding and kidding,  
And skinning and winning,  
And bumping and slumping and dumping and lump-  
ing  
And jumping and mumping and rumping  
And humping and pumping  
And thumping  
The suckers and muckers,  
Beginners and winners,  
The lambs and the shams,  
The old and the bold,  
They stopped  
When stocks  
Had dropped  
Like rocks,  
And loud from the wreck and the ruck at the bottom  
Came jingle of dollars and yells of "We've got  
'em!"  
—W. D. Nesbit, in *The Chicago Tribune*.

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—*The Baltimore Post*.

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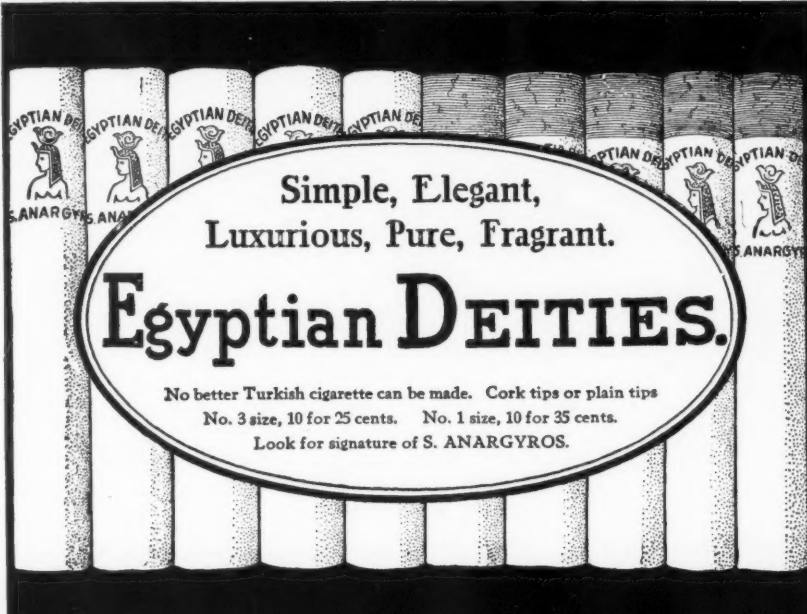
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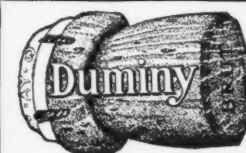


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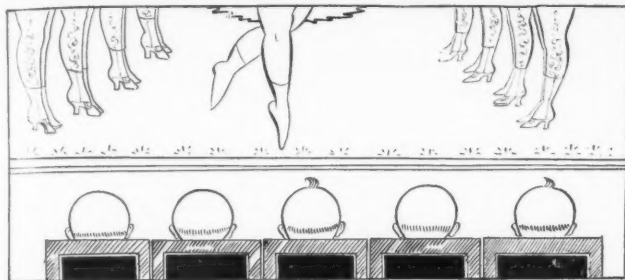
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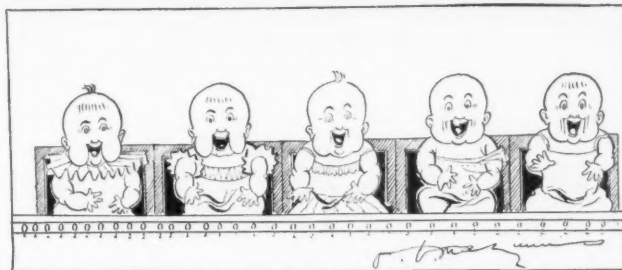
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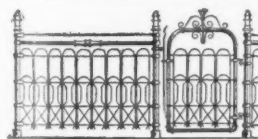


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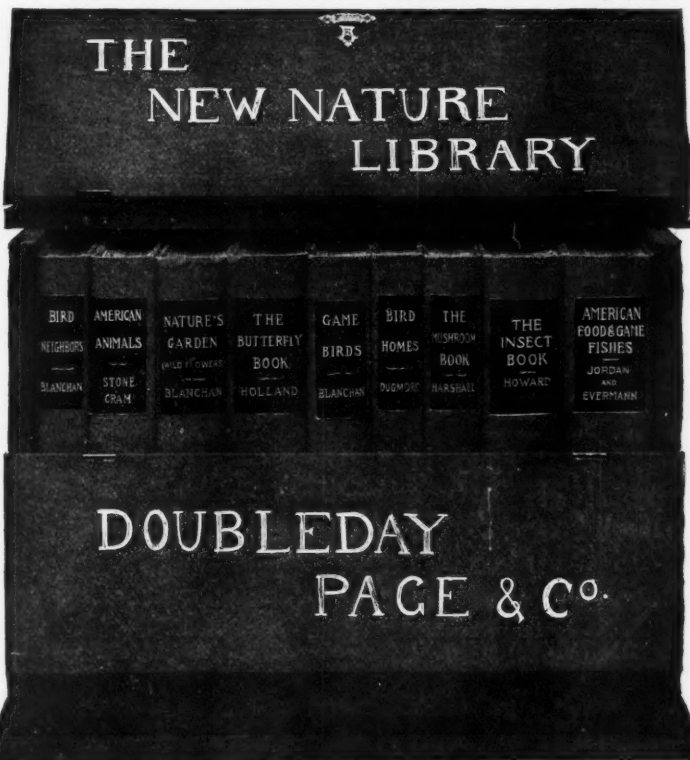


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